to whom the gas agencies have been allotted; and

(d) the number of agencies allotted by the Government out of discretionary quota there?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a)

IOC	BPC	HPC
16	6	12

(b) Nil.

(c) Two.

(d) Twenty One. These are being reviewed.

Suspension of Air Services between Kanpur and Delhi

3582. SHRI KESHRI LAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Airlines flight between Kanpur and Delhi has been suspended;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and when it was suspended;

(c) whether the Government have received any memorandum for its restoration;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) when it is proposed to be restored?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Indian Airlines services between Kanpur and Delhi were suspended along with a number of other services in order to operate charter flights for evacuation of Indian nationals from the Gulf in September, 1990.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Indian Airlines had received requests from traders and business houses of Kanpur for restoration of the service.

(e) The service has been restored by Indian Airlines with effect from 1.8.1991.

[English]

Southern gas Grid

3583. SHRI C.P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA:
SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:
SHRI PRAKASH BAPU VASANTRAO PATIL:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up southern gas grid;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the progress made in this direction so far?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The matter is being examined by an Inter-Ministerial Group.

Chitradurga and Davanagara Railway Line

3584. SHRI C. P. MUDALAGIRIYAPPA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is proposal for constructing a railway line between Chitradurga and Davanagara in view of high density of passengers traffic between these two centres; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Demand of Petroleum Products

3585. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand of petrol, petroleum products and natural gas in the country at present;

(b) the percentage of total requirement of petrol, petroleum products and natural gas being produced in the country;

(c) the quantity of petrol and other petroleum products imported during the last three years and the countries from which these have been imported and the total cost involved therein;